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PRESIDENT: Senator Burbach.

SENATOR BURBACH: Mr. President, I would object to bracketing the bill at this time. I think everyone in this body knows the things that Senator Lewis is talking about is in the bill. The language there is "not more than". Now the Board of Equalization, which will meet within 15 days after today, will have an opportunity to review it. If it is their opinion, after we have decided what we're going to do if there are going to be any more veto overrides. I thought the decision was made yesterday, however, that there would not be. If that figure then would be at 10 percent, or at 11, but not more than 12, we're asking them to do . . . to accept this responsibility after the bills have been passed. Therefore, I would oppose that we bracket the bill for even 5 minutes.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carsten.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I object to bracketing the bill also. I think Senator Burbach has outlined the procedure that is provided for in the bill very well. I can't see any real reason for bracketing this. If there's errors after we have adjourned and taken care of the rest of the business, the Board of Equalization can surely take care of those. We have not accepted the Governor's recommendation. It is below his recommendation. Hopefully the Governor would accept that. I think that the Board of Equalization will look with sincerity and conscienciousness when they look, 15 days after we adjourn, at what the situation is. I think we just as well go on with it and move the bill over, then finish up with our business. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Kelly.

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. President, members . . . question of the President. How many votes does it take to bracket this on Final?

PRESIDENT: 25.

SENATOR KELLY: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Do you want to close Senator Lewis. Oh, Senator Keyes.

SENATOR KEYS: Mr. Speaker, just a couple of words. I certainly am in favor of bracketing the bill. I want to find out . . . because if we override the Governor and spend more money I want you folks to know, everyone of you Senators to know, that LB 589 is not going to increase the income tax. It is not going to increase the income tax in the corporations. It's already set that it can go to 12 and that's the limit. If you spend \$20 million or \$30 million on overrides this afternoon you're going to put it on the sales tax.

PRESIDENT: Would you close debate please . . . Senator Dickinson.